



RHODE ISLAND DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY Municipal Police Training Academy

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RIMPTA Training Announcement

Documentation and Accountability for the K9 Handler

Program Date: February 17, 2022

Time: 0800 hrs to 1600 hrs

Location: RI Department of Public Safety
RIMPTA Classroom
CCRI Lincoln

Police K9 teams demand daily training, year round. There are few resources in law enforcement that are used more than a K9; from patrol and odor detection to trailing and therapy work. Regardless of the discipline, the legal environment dictating how and when the dogs are used is changing almost daily. Because of the intricacies of working a dog, keeping on top of the recent changes and staying sharp in the documenting the use often falls through the cracks. Never have K9 handlers in Rhode Island been offered a yearly documentation and accountability refresher. This class is a necessity for those handling dogs in any law enforcement or Search and Rescue (SAR) capacity. While the focused audience for this course is handlers, Supervisors are encouraged to attend. (A dedicated K9 Supervisor's course will be developed in the future)

Topics include:

- Define and review industry standards for the working dog.
- Define, understand, and apply the 3 legal principles of working dogs.
- Review of training, certification, and documentation standards and issues.
- Search and seizure primer for the working dog handler.
- Case law review: current cases, the changes that they have caused and application thereof.
- Policy, handler compensation, liability, and immunity review.

Who should attend: Police K9 Handlers who are currently working a certified police dog in any discipline. Police K9 supervisors, particularly those who are supervising handlers and have no prior K9 supervising experience.

Dress for this workshop will be uniform of the day or business casual attire.

This workshop is offered free of charge. To register, please complete the attached registration form and fax or e-mail to Mrs. Donna Lavalley at (401) 205-2501, donna.lavalley@risp.gov, by February 10, 2022.

Space is limited to 30 persons per session.

For any questions regarding the training, please contact Steve Lombardi, Director of Continuing Education, at (401) 205-1678, or stephen.lombardi@risp.gov.

For more information regarding the Rhode Island Department of Public Safety Municipal Police Training Academy please go to: www.rimpa.ri.gov.



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K9 Documentation and Accountability

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PARTICIPANT(S) NAME & RANK			
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